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Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St., S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: *A National Broadband Plan for Our Future*, GN Docket No. 09-51; *Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers*, WC Docket No. 07-135; *Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime*, CC Docket No. 01-92; *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90; *High Cost Universal Service Support*, WC Docket No. 05-337; *Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service*, CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Friday, July 22, 2011, Hank Hultquist and Joel Lubin of AT&T, Jeff Lanning and Melissa Newman of CenturyLink; Kathy Grillo of Verizon, Jennie Chandra of Windstream; and I met with Margaret McCarthy, Policy Advisor, Wireline, to Commissioner Copps. This letter supplements the July 26, 2011,¹ ex parte letter providing further detail of our conversation with Ms. McCarthy.

In addition to the subjects described in the July 26, 2011, letter, the group also discussed the necessity and importance of an access recovery mechanism to certain companies during the transition period for intercarrier compensation reform. The companies also emphasized the importance that the budget for a reformed universal service fund should stay within the current fund size, consistent with the *NPRM* for universal service and intercarrier compensation reform.²

Please feel free to contact me with any further questions.

¹ Letter from Michael D. Saperstein, Jr., Frontier Communications, to Marlene H. Dortch, Federal Communications Commission, July 26, 2011; WC Docket Nos. 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109; GN Docket No. 09-51; CC Docket Nos. 01-92, 96-45.

² *In re: Connect America Fund; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future; Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers; High-Cost Universal Service Support; Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Lifeline and Link-Up*, WC Dkt. Nos. 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109; GN Dkt. No. 09-51; CC Dkt. Nos. 01-92, 96-45, *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, FCC 11-13 at ¶10 (rel. Feb. 9, 2011) ("*NPRM*").

Sincerely,

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